

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.-3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended): A mobile telephone device equipped with a broadcast receiving function, a received broadcast recording and reproducing function, and a mail receiving function, comprising:

a unit for performing character recognition on data received by electronic mail;

a unit for automatically extracting a numerical sequence out of character-recognized characters, decoding the extracted numerical sequence, and determining whether or not the numerical sequence is a valid timer video recording code; and

a unit for receiving and recording broadcast based on a timer video recording code indicating information required for a video recording reservation for one program obtained by the character recognition,

wherein a video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by displaying information required for the video recording reservation, the information being obtained by decoding the timer video recording code obtained by the character recognition,

wherein, upon determining presence of a plurality of timer video recording codes, obtained by the character recognition and indicating information required for a plurality of video recording reservations, respectively, the video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by sequentially displaying information required for the video recording reservation based on each timer video recording code.

5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended): A method for controlling a mobile telephone device equipped with a broadcast receiving function, a received broadcast recording and reproducing function, and a mail receiving function, comprising:

performing character recognition on data received by electronic mail;

automatically extracting a numerical sequence out of character-recognized characters,

decoding the extracted numerical sequence, and determining whether or not the numerical sequence is a valid timer video recording code; and

receiving and recording broadcast based on a timer video recording code indicating information required for a video recording reservation for one program obtained by the character recognition,

wherein a video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by displaying information required for the video recording reservation, the information being obtained by decoding the timer video recording code obtained by the character recognition,

wherein, upon determining presence of a plurality of timer video recording codes, obtained by the character recognition and indicating information required for a plurality of video recording reservations, respectively, the video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by sequentially displaying information required for the video recording reservation based on each timer video recording code.

7. (new): An electric communication device equipped with a broadcast receiving function, a received broadcast recording and reproducing function, and a mail receiving function, comprising:

a unit for performing character recognition on data received by electronic mail;

a unit for automatically extracting a numerical sequence out of character-recognized characters, decoding the extracted numerical sequence, and determining whether or not the numerical sequence is a valid timer video recording code; and

a unit for receiving and recording broadcast based on a timer video recording code indicating information required for a video recording reservation for one program obtained by the character recognition,

wherein a video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by displaying information required for the video recording reservation, the information being obtained by decoding the timer video recording code obtained by the character recognition,

wherein, upon determining presence of a plurality of timer video recording codes, obtained by the character recognition and indicating information required for a plurality of video recording

reservations, respectively, the video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by sequentially displaying information required for the video recording reservation based on each timer video recording code.

8. (new): A method for controlling an electric communication device equipped with a broadcast receiving function, a received broadcast recording and reproducing function, and a mail receiving function, comprising:

performing character recognition on data received by electronic mail;

automatically extracting a numerical sequence out of character-recognized characters, decoding the extracted numerical sequence, and determining whether or not the numerical sequence is a valid timer video recording code; and

receiving and recording broadcast based on a timer video recording code indicating information required for a video recording reservation for one program obtained by the character recognition,

wherein a video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by displaying information required for the video recording reservation, the information being obtained by decoding the timer video recording code obtained by the character recognition,

wherein, upon determining presence of a plurality of timer video recording codes, obtained by the character recognition and indicating information required for a plurality of video recording reservations, respectively, the video recording reservation is allowed to be confirmed by a user by sequentially displaying information required for the video recording reservation based on each timer video recording code.

9. (new): A mobile telephone device according to claim 4, wherein the information required for the video recording reservation includes at least date information and channel information.

10. (new): A method for controlling a mobile telephone device according to claim 6, wherein the information required for the video recording reservation includes at least date information and channel information.

11. (new): An electric communication device according to claim 7, wherein the information required for the video recording reservation includes at least date information and channel information.

12. (new): A method for controlling an electric communication device according to claim 8, wherein the information required for the video recording reservation includes at least date information and channel information.